Dear Parents,

Welcome back to a new and exciting school year.

This year we have formed four classes.

Erin Azzoparpi will be teaching a straight Kinder class of 12 students. On Fridays the kinder class will be taught by Lauren Currie, as Erin maintains her partial maternity leave.

The Yr 1/2 class will be taught by Geraldine Kerr for 7 days per fortnight. Lauren will teach for the other 3 days. There are 17 students in the class.

Ryan Swift is teaching Yrs 3/4. There are 28 students in his class.

I am teaching the 22 students in Yrs 5/6.

Cameron Blanch will once again be teaching across all the classes every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

This year we have decided to use all our Learning and Support Teacher funds in Terms 1 and 2. This means that Yvette Bice will be supporting students every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for the first two terms. Initially her efforts will be focused on supporting year three and five students prepare for the NAPLAN tests in early term 2.

Rose Smith will also be supporting teachers and students all day on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, as well as Tuesday and Thursday afternoons in her role as the school’s Learning Support Officer.

Our Toilet upgrade is well underway and should be completed by the start of Term 2. In the meantime our students have adjusted very well to the temporary demountable toilet on our site.

The Dunoon District Swimming Carnival will be held next Tuesday the 9th February at Alstonville Pool. We are expecting all students in years 3 to 6 to attend and participate in the carnival. We also strongly encourage any Year 1 or 2 students who can swim 25 m to come along and continue to build on their swimming skills and water confidence. Permission notes should be returned by Monday the 8th Feb

Have a great fortnight, Barry

NEWSLETTERS: Until further notice, our newsletters will be sent home by paper copy. Once we create our new email distribution list, we will be letting you know that it has been put on the website and will no longer send home paper copies, except for those parents who specifically request one due to lack of internet access.

The newsletter will still be put on the website if you want to check it out online.
Visiting Mobile Library
The mobile library comes to the school on a regular basis and community members are welcome to make use of this service.

The van is here between 2 – 3:30pm on the following dates:
Feb. 9, 23       March 8, 22       April 5, 19
May 3, 17, 31    June 14, 28

ASSEMBLIES:  2pm - parents are welcome
Year 5/6, Thursday 18\textsuperscript{th} Feb
Year 3/4, Thursday 3\textsuperscript{rd} March
Year 1/2, Thursday 17\textsuperscript{th} March
Kindergarten, Thursday 31\textsuperscript{st} March

CANTEEN NEWS
Lunches available \textbf{Monday and Friday only}- please do not send food to be heated up other than on Mondays or Fridays. Thank you.
If you cannot make it for your rostered day, please let the school know so we can try and arrange a replacement.

CANTEEN ROSTER:
5/2, L. Vickers
8/2, J. Tandy
12/2, S. McInerney
15/2, M. Ianna

COOKING ROSTER:
5/2, L. Vickers
8/2, J. Tandy
12/2, S. Friske
15/2, M. Ianna

Over the counter sales will be run by the Year 6 students on \textit{Tuesdays and Thursdays - no lunches.}
This will commence on 16\textsuperscript{th} February

UNIFORM NEWS: We are organising screen printing for school shirts - so if you have some plain ones, send them in by Monday 8\textsuperscript{th} Feb with $3 for each shirt and we will have them printed for you.
Information about what is available from our uniform committee is being sent home today.

TAKING PHOTOS: Please be aware that some parents do not want their child's photo on social media. If you have taken a photo of your child and will be placing it on social media, make sure it does not include other students unless you have permission from their parents.

SCHOOL PHOTOS: Our school photo day is Wednesday Feb. 17\textsuperscript{th}. Envelopes were sent home earlier this week for you to place your order and money in and return to the school. We pass these envelopes directly on to the photographer and do not open them or give change. Also, I believe you are to have a separate envelope for each child.

Family Photo Option: If you would like to have a family photo please request an envelope from the school office.

BOOK CLUB: Welcome back to another jam packed year for Book Club. You will notice that there is only one catalogue now with a larger range of books for all ages.
Remember, any purchases made through Book Club benefit our school library as we earn reward points which helps us purchase books for our students to read.

\textbf{Book Club is due Monday 15\textsuperscript{th} Feb.}

BOOK FAIR: Our annual Book Fair is scheduled for 7\textsuperscript{th} and 8\textsuperscript{th} March. Please mark this on your calendar. More information will be coming out closer to the date. HAPPY READING!!

AFTER SCHOOL TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS:
Please make sure you update your 2016 arrangements.

Daily/one off changes: please send a note with your child with details of the change. It works best for us if you do this on the day the change is occurring.
While we can take phone calls informing us of changed plans, if possible we prefer a note for the bus folder.

Regular changes: If your child will have a regular change to their after school travel routine, please send us a note with this information and we put this in our Regular Changes list in the bus folder.

Thank you
CELEBRATING OUR STUDENTS

Work of the Week

Student of the Week

Watch this space in next newsletter.

YOU CAN DO IT AWARDS

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LEGO CLUB FUN:

Select Healthier Snacks

It is important to offer your child healthy snacks. Young children can more easily meet their nutrition needs if healthy snacks are offered between meals. Offering small, planned snacks is much better than allowing children to graze between meals.

Choose snacks based on: fruit, vegetables, milk, cheese, custard, yoghurt, wholegrain breads, crackers and cereals.

Tips: keep healthy snacks in the fridge and pantry, have a fresh fruit bowl on the kitchen table.

Ideas: fresh, frozen or canned fruit, yoghurt, rice paper rolls, hummus, fruit muffins, cooked noodles with tofu and vegetables, corn or rice cakes with avocado or peanut butter, vegetable sticks with dip, fruit smoothies.

Community News

Dunoon United Football Club: Come and play soccer at Dunoon this year. Registrations are open - you can register online at myfootballclub.com.au - all new and returning players are welcome. Any child turning 5 this year can join.

Muster and Information Sessions: Thursday Feb 11 and 18, 4pm - 5:30pm
Lismore & District Netball: Come and Try Day.
Saturday 13th Feb at Marie Mackney Netball Courts, Ballina Road, Lismore.
For further information contact Leslie at secretary.lismorennettball@bigpond.com

Student Back Health: The Australian Physiotherapy Association suggests that when choosing a backpack for school age children, you choose:
- Wide shoulder straps
- Waist straps
- A padded back

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Crouching Tigers Kids
Martial Arts Classes

Crouching Tigers Kids Martial Arts Classes will focus on developing foundation martial arts skills with elements of Kung Fu, Karate, Jujitsu, Kick Boxing & Self Defence. Training will focus on mind, body and spirit.

Mind
“Where the mind goes the body will follow”. Each term children will explore a fundamental value of the arts and life such as self discipline, respect, kindness, tolerance, gratitude and integrity/honor. Children will be encouraged to discuss with family and friends the meaning of each value and build their understanding through training.

Body
Children will engage in range of physical activities to develop balance, coordination, strength and flexibility. Light and controlled contact will be structured and closely supervised. Strictly no heavy or full contact sparing permitted.

Spirit
Each class will end with a short meditation and mindful discussion on how they can demonstrate the value being explored in everyday life. Emphasizing that it is equally important to practice the value out of class as it is in class.

Location: Modanville Public School
Mondays 4 pm to 5 pm, starting 8th of February (start of Chinese New Year, year of the Monkey)

Coaches:

Brendan Lo (Padi & Indi’s dad) shared his father’s enthusiasm for Bruce Lee and Jackie Chan films as a youngster and started training in martial arts at the age of 8. He holds a black belt in Karate-Jitsu (Combination of Karate, Kickboxing, Judo & Jujitsu), ranked as Sensei & awarded life long membership in 2007, he has also trained in Wing Tsung Kung Fu, Freestyle Karate, Krav Maga and is a certified coach in Personal Defense Readiness with Blauer Tactical Systems. He is a registered Occupational Therapist and Certified Trainer and Assessor.
Working With Children Check number: WWC0310341E

Francis O’Neill (Finn & May’s dad) watched ‘Monkey Magic’ on TV as a boy, and has been a life-long student in Pak Hok (White Crane) Kung Fu since 1988. He began teaching in Sydney’s China Town from 1997-2007. Then established classes at The Channon from 2007, & maintains a close connection with his original teacher and school. Currently working in disabilities as a Linker. Working With Children Check number: WWC0051887E

Cost
Option 1: casual class fee of $15 per class (without membership)
Option 2: Membership fee of $50 per year includes free T-Shirt first year. Class fee of $12 per class or 10 class card for $100
First class free

10% of all class fees will be donated to Destiny Rescue, an organization dedicated to rescuing children from exploitation and slavery.

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